Representing the Submarine Cable Industry:

The ICPC was formed in 1958 and its primary goal is to promote the safeguarding of international submarine cables against human-made and natural hazards. The organisation provides a forum for the exchange of technical, legal and environmental information about submarine cables and, with more than 215 MEMBERS from over 70 NATIONS, including cable operators, owners, manufacturers, industry service providers, and governments, it is the world’s premier submarine cable organisation.

Prime Activities of the ICPC:

- Promote awareness of submarine cables as critical infrastructure to governments and other users of the seabed
- Establish internationally agreed recommendations for cable installation, protection and maintenance
- Monitor the evolution of international treaties and national legislation and help to ensure that submarine cable interests are fully protected
- Liaison with UN Bodies

ICPC: Recommending Best Practice

- Providing information to new cable owners to foster use of recommendations
- Facilitating access to new cable technologies
- Defining minimum recommendations for cable route planning, installation, operation, maintenance and protection

ICPC: Advancing Legal Protection

- Promoting UNCLOS compliance
- Championing uniform and practical local legislation and permitting
- Protecting cable systems and ships
- Aiding in education of government regulators and diplomats

ICPC: Working with Science

- Supporting independent research into cables
- Publishing reviews for governments and policymakers
- Working with environmental organisations
- Effective public education via various media

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